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Amendments To Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A real-time method for exchanging information between disparate computing platforms, said method comprising:

originating a request <u>message</u> on a first computing platform for information located on a second computing platform;

translating said the request message at the first computing platform into a platform independent language; predetermined format readable by said second platform; and,

transmitting the translated request message to said the second platform. computing platform; and,

translating the translated request message at the second computing platform into a format readable by the second computer.

- 2. (currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said prodetermined format the platform independent language is a formatting mark-up language.
- (currently amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising:
 accessing the requested information on the second platform;
 translating the requested information into the predetermined format; and platform
 independent language;

transmitting the requested information to the first platform in said predetermined format.

the platform independent language.

- 4. (currently amended) The method of claim 3 further comprising:
 translating the requested information from the predetermined format platform
 independent language to a format readable on the first platform; and
 using the requested information on the first platform.
- 5. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said transmitting step uses an HTTP.

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- 6. (original) The method of claim 5 wherein said HTTP transmission is secure.
- 7. (currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said request <u>message</u> includes authentication information for access to information on said second platform.
- 8. (original) The method of claim 7 wherein said authentication information comprises a user identification and a password.
- 9. (currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said request <u>message</u> includes information for locating the requested information on said second platform.
- 10. (currently amended) A system for sharing data comprising:
 - a first computing platform;
 - a second computing platform;
- an interoperability component for translating requests request messages coupled to both said first computing platform and said second computing platform.
- 11. (original) The system of claim 10 wherein said interoperability component is configured to translate data to a format readable by both said first computing platform and said second computing platform.
- 12. (original) The system of claim 11 wherein said interoperability component is further configured to transmit data between said first computing platform and said second computing platform.
- 13. (previously presented) The system of claim 11 wherein said interoperability component is configured to translate data to a mark-up language format.
- 14. (currently amended) A method of translating data into a mark-up language format comprising:

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receiving a request <u>message</u> for information;

parsing said the request <u>message</u> into one or more different fields of information; and creating a mark-up language format of the request <u>message</u> by delimiting each of said fields with an identifying tag or pair of tags.